## **REMARKS**

In light of the above amendments and remarks to follow, entry of this amendment and reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Amended claims 1-7 are in this application.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,470,497 to Ellis.

Independent claim 1, as amended herein, recites in part as follows:

"A <u>portable</u> information terminal apparatus capable of managing a user's schedule list

...writing means for writing said preset information in said <u>user's</u> schedule list ..." (Emphasis added.)

It is respectfully submitted that the portions of Ellis applied by the Examiner (hereinafter "Ellis") do not disclose the above described features. That is Ellis appears to disclose a processing device that receives and stores program schedule information. The program schedule information does not appear to be a user's schedule list, but rather the entire list. Ellis does not appear to disclose a **portable** information terminal apparatus where preset information can be stored in a **user's** schedule list. Accordingly, claim 1 is believed to be distinguishable over Ellis.

For reasons similar to those described above with regard to claim 1, independent claims 5-7 are believed to be distinguishable over Ellis.

Claims 2-4 depend from claim 1, and, due to such dependency, are believed to be distinguishable over Ellis for at least the reasons previously described.

In the event that the Examiner disagrees with any of the foregoing comments concerning the disclosures in the cited prior art, it is requested that the Examiner indicate where in the reference, there is the bases for a contrary view.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this amendment, favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-7 and the allowance of this application with claims 1-7 are respectfully requested.

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